GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2760
ANSWERED ON:21.03.2005
DIVERSION OF PDS FOODGRAIN
Rijiju Shri Kiren;Shukla Smt. Karuna;Thakkar Smt. Jayaben B.

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of foodgrains including wheat and rice lifted from the Food Corporation of India (FCI) godowns during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise;

(b) whether most of these subsidised foodgrains fail to reach the needy;

(c) if so, whether foodgrains worth crores of rupees is diverted from the Public Distribution System (PDS) clandestinely;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to check it;

(e) whether the Government is formulating any separate scheme for the North-Eastern States; and

(f) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a): Statements of allotment and off-take of foodgrains (Wheat & Rice) under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) during the last three years are placed at Annexure I to III.

(b): The Public Distribution System is operated under the joint responsibility of the Central and State Governments. The Central Government is responsible for the procurement and transportation of food grains up to the Principal Distribution Centres of the Food Corporation of India while the State Governments are responsible for the identification of families living Below the Poverty Line, the issue of Ration Cards and the distribution of food grains to the beneficiaries through a vast network of about 4.77 lakh Fair Price Shops scattered all over the country. The percentage offtake of foodgrains by various States/UT`s under BPL and Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) during last three years is given below:

% offtake

	BPL	AAY
2001-02	56.26	85.62
2002-03	60.27	85.73
2003-04	70.08	91.42

(c) & (d): Some instances of diversion of foodgrains have come to the notice of the Department of Food and Public Distribution. The following measures exist to strengthen the system and to ensure that foodgrains reaches the poor:

(i) The State Governments and the Union Territory Administrations have been asked to actively involve the Panchayati Raj Institutions to monitor the functioning of the Fair Price Shops, as a measure of social audit;

(ii) The States and Union Territories have also been asked to constitute Vigilance Committees on the PDS at the State, District, Block and FPS levels;

(iii) To ensure proper distribution of PDS commodities to the consumers in a transparent manner, a model Citizens` Charter has been issued by the Central Government for adoption by the State Governments/UT Administrations;

(iv) In order to strengthen the hands of the State Governments, the Public Distribution System (Control) Order, 2001 has been issued on 31st August, 2001 under section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 with a view to curb wilful adulteration, substitution, diversion etc. of the PDS commodities. An offence committed in violation of the provisions of the Order shall invoke criminal liability under the EC Act.

(e) & (f): Under T.P.D.S., allocation of foodgrains is made uniformly to all the States/UTs @ 35 kg., per family per month. There is no separate scheme for North-Eastern States under T.P.D.S.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2760 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 21.3.2005 IN THE LOK SABHA.

Allocation and Offtake of Rice & Wheat for the Year 2001-2002 (P) Under TPDS

(In `000 TONNES)

SL.NO	STATES/UTs	ALLOTMENT BPL	APL	AAY	TOTAL	OFFTAKE BPL	APL	AAY	TOTAL	% OFFTAKE BPL	APL	AAY	TOTAL
1	AP	1470.96	1591.68	186.84	3249.48	972.35	571.53	191.52	1735.40	66.10	35.91	102.51	53.41
2	ARU P	27.02	76.68	1.13	104.84	26.72	23.86	0.74	51.32	98.88	31.12	65.26	48.95
3	ASSAM	515.06	434.88	28.15	978.09	429.83	115.31	28.52	573.65	83.45	26.51	101.29	58.65
4	BIHAR	1820.87	174.34	150.00	2145.21	378.11	1.01	108.55	487.68	20.77	0.58	72.37	22.73
5	CHHATISGA.	393.35	101.11	86.22	580.68	187.94	2.00	77.88	67.82	47.78	1.98	90.33	46.12
6	DELHI	114.17	576.84	2.40	693.41	86.76	26.30	1.20	114.25	76.00	4.56	49.79	16.48
7	Goa	9.85	63.12	0.98	73.95	3.54	5.56	0.73	9.83	35.93	8.81	74.97	13.29
8	GUJARAT	869.54	570.00	61.75	1501.29	444.18	3.97	56.75	504.90	51.08	0.70	91.89	33.63
9	HARYANA	182.54	8.64	27.35	218.53	71.35	0.00	22.66	94.00	39.09	0.00	82.85	43.02
10	HP	248.24	101.16	23.62	373.01	133.73	9.26	23.09	166.08	53.87	9.15	97.78	44.52
11	J & K	151.76	238.44	25.41	415.61	162.51	175.44	7.27	345.21	107.08	73.58	28.60	83.06
12	JHARKHAND	567.49	63.26	91.63	722.39	229.06	6.47	62.79	298.32	40.36	10.23	68.53	41.30
13	KARNATAKA	807.72	555.00	84.11	1446.83	798.87	450.66	80.80	1330.33	98.90	81.20	96.06	91.95
14	Kerala	374.96	1828.08	71.46	2274.50	371.49	119.54	61.51	552.54	99.08	6.54	86.07	24.29
15	M. P.	985.98	174.89	189.72	1350.59	582.27	7.10	173.56	762.93	59.05	4.06	91.48	56.49
16	MAHARASHTRA	2096.21	765.12	267.86	3129.19	1162.91	3.31	234.37	1400.59	55.48	0.43	87.50	44.76
17	Manipur	35.14	54.84	1.91	91.89	25.46	0.00	0.74	26.20	72.45	0.00	38.66	28.51
18	Meghalaya	44.24	126.36	3.52	174.12	43.28	10.85	2.81	56.94	97.83	8.58	80.00	32.70
19	Mezoram	16.46	93.84	3.16	113.46	16.17	27.82	3.16	47.14	98.22	29.64	100.00	41.55
20	Nagaland	30.12	122.04	2.84	155.00	30.12	15.46	2.84	48.42	100.00	12.67	100.00	31.24
21	ORISSA	907.05	44.64	88.47	1040.15	488.65	11.58	87.28	587.51	53.87	25.95	98.66	56.48
22	PUNJAB	114.36	21.48	19.72	155.57	45.94	0.00	8.07	54.01	40.17	0.00	40.92	34.72
23	RAJASTHAN	916.27	401.52	111.78	1429.57	559.37	10.62	102.78	672.77	61.05	2.64	91.95	47.06
24	Sikkim	11.21	36.84	1.18	49.22	11.37	6.57	1.15	19.09	101.48	17.84	97.45	38.78
25	TAMILNADU	1350.42	461.28	35.48	1847.18	1040.75	0.00	24.76	1065.51	77.07	0.00	69.80	57.68
26	Tripura	62.72	124.80	7.92	195.44	61.12	18.36	6.79	86.26	97.44	14.71	85.71	44.14
27	U.P.	2339.79	377.30	260.79	2977.88	1149.20	8.75	246.43	1404.37	49.12	2.32	94.49	47.16
28	UTTARANCHAL	109.72	23.14	11.45	144.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
29	WEST BENGAL	1254.37	905.16	109.93	2269.46	523.26	188.30	56.91	768.47	41.71	20.80	51.77	33.86
30	A&N ISLANDS	5.45	36.36	0.82	42.63	4.44	12.12	0.43	16.99	81.38	33.33	52.43	39.84
31	CHANDIGARH	5.68	13.68	0.32	19.68	0.11	0.00	0.32	0.42	1.85	0.00	100.00	2.15
32	D&N HAVELI	3.76	2.76	0.84	7.36	2.96	0.98	0.78	4.72	78.79	35.33	92.38	64.05
33	DAMAN& DIU	0.97	1.80	0.18	2.95	0.08	0.23	0.11	0.42	7.84	13.00	63.33	14.38
34	LAKSHADWEEP	0.04	7.06	0.04	7.14	0.00	3.00	0.00	3.00	0.00	42.49	0.00	41.99
35	PONDICHERRY	22.70	3.72	1.13	27.55	8.50	0.44	0.92	9.85	37.45	11.69	81.51	35.77
	TOTAL	17866.19	10181.86	1960.08	30008.12	10052.37	1836.37	1678.19	13566.92	56.26	18.04	85.62	45.21

ANNEXURE-II

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(In `000 TONNES)

SL. No.	STATES/UTs	ALLOTMENT				OFFTAKE				% OFFTAKE			
		BPL	APL	AAY	TOTAL	BPL	APL	AAY	TOTAL	BPL	APL	AAY	TOTAL
1	AP	1444.8	2266.74	261.576	3973.116		1441.322	350.133	234.646	2026.101	99.759	15.447	89.705	51.00
2	ARU P	35.148	73.701	6.348	115.197	32.103	41.161	5.708	78.972	91.337	55.849	89.918	68.55	
3	ASSAM	682.284	958.115	118.236	1758.635	529.474	415.923	104.931	1050.328	77.603	43.411	88.747	59.72	
4	BIHAR		2244.184	2291.52	420	4955.704	438.328	3.517	333.909	775.754	19.532	0.153	79.502	15.65
5	CHHATISGARH	579.672	1045.8	120.708	1746.18	82.816	4.932	4.654	92.402	14.287	0.472	3.856	5.29	
6	DELHI	158.34	1102.917	13.44	1274.697	130.366	145.04	11.594	287	82.333	13.151	86.265	22.52	
7	Goa	12.888	119.802	3.072	135.762	6.456	6.644	2.254	15.354	50.093	5.546	73.372	11.31	
8	GUJARAT	762.713	2858.433	136.5	3757.646	393.747	29.631	115.539	538.917	51.625	1.037	84.644	14.34	
9	HARYANA	260.892	1148.838	46.968	1456.698	182.229	43.549	42.899	268.677	69.848	3.791	91.337	18.44	
10	HP	170.872	359.325	33.06	563.257	141.479	21.856	32.633	195.968	82.798	6.083	98.708	34.79	
11	J & K	228.077	425.04	47.424	700.541	209.119	256.733	32.232	498.084	91.688	60.402	67.966	71.10	
12	JHARKHAND	814.692	216.3	153.936	1184.928	226.117	3.657	109.701	339.475	27.755	1.691	71.264	28.65	
13	KARNATAKA	1113.903	2070.6	200.373	3384.876		1095.286	559.455	179.943	1834.684	98.329	27.019	89.804	54.20
14	Kerala	552.564	1808.94	100.044	2461.548	323.623	174.472	99.528	597.623	58.568	9.645	99.484	24.28	
15	M. P.		1274.292	2765.469	265.608	4305.369	985.419	29.508	251.621	1266.548	77.331	1.067	94.734	29.42
16	MAHARASHTRA	2323.584	5013.615	420.72	7757.919		1383.894	20.66	363.687	1768.241	59.559	0.412	86.444	22.79
17	Manipur	43.884	47.46	10.716	102.06	38.314	9.793	10.963	59.07	87.307	20.634	102.305	57.88	
18	Meghalaya	65.052	44.058	11.808	120.918	60.788	12.712	10.876	84.376	93.445	28.853	92.107	69.78	
19	Mezoram	24.264	48.114	4.416	76.794	24.263	46.709	4.416	75.388	99.996	97.080	100.000	98.17	
20	Nagaland	44.136	73.503	7.944	125.583	45.264	24.06	7.953	77.277	102.556	32.733	100.113	61.53	
21	ORISSA		1484.376	1285.098	212.316	2981.79	362.044	62.823	181.697	606.564	24.390	4.889	85.579	20.34
22	PUNJAB	166.416	1632.975	30.12	1829.511	88.179	10.539	15.211	113.929	52.987	0.645	50.501	6.23	
23	RAJASTHAN	804.048	3002.592	156.492	3963.132	636.493	147.013	149.144	932.65	79.161	4.896	95.305	23.53	
24	Sikkim	15.42	39.204	2.82	57.444	15.062	8.229	2.878	26.169	97.678	20.990	102.057	45.56	
25	TAMILNADU	1751.881	3841.95	290.495	5884.326		1316.734	21.27	287.553	1625.557	75.161	0.554	98.987	27.63
26	Tripura	104.904	181.674	18.996	305.574	100.562	27.23	18.845	146.637	95.861	14.988	99.205	47.99	
27	U.P.		3688.477	7840.76	685.418	12214.655	2366.408	17.179	695.807	3079.394	64.157	0.219	101.516	25.21
28	UTTARANCHAL	161.814	431.919	32.052	625.785	96.214	5.92	19.244	121.378	59.460	1.371	60.040	19.40	
29	WEST BENGAL	1702.752	4246.77	307.788	6257.31	953.272	278.739	203.575	1435.586	55.984	6.564	66.141	22.94	
30	A&N ISLANDS	7.44	36.36	1.8	45.6	3	19.806	-	22.806	40.323	54.472	0.000	50.01	
31	CHANDIGARH	8.748	79.212	0.888	88.848	1.44	0.06	0.888	2.388	16.461	0.076	100.000	2.69	
32	D&N HAVELI	5.544	7.14	1.176	13.86	2.829	1.308	0.86	4.997	51.028	18.319	73.129	36.05	
33	DAMAN& DIU	1.428	10.005	0.252	11.685	0.34	0.127	0.181	0.648	23.810	1.269	71.825	5.55	
34	LAKSHADWEEP	0.372	5.195	0.168	5.735	- 2.65	-	2.65	0.000	51.011	0.000	46.21		
35	PONDICHERRY	31.262	50.853	3.85	85.965	10.75	0.707	3.143	14.6	34.387	1.390	81.636	16.98	
TOTAL		22,771.123	47429.997	4,127.528	74328.647	13723.734	2803.745	3538.713	20066.192	60.268	5.911	85.734	26.997	

ANNEXURE-III

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		BPL	APL	AAY	TOTAL	BPL	APL	AAY	TOTAL	BPL	APL	AAY	TOTAL

No.

1. AP 1368.43 2266.74 337.946 3973.116 1319.231 434.289 330.659 2084.179 96.405 19.159 97.844 52.46

2. ARU P 35.148 64.206 6.348 105.702 33.897 55.5 6.231 95.628 96.441 86.441 98.157 90.47

3. ASSAM 682.284 735.14 118.236 1535.66 628.166 343.616 112.266 1084.048 92.068 46.742 94.951 70.59

4. BIHAR 2219.184 2291.52 420 4930.704 627.119 7.1 380.872 1015.091 28.259 0.310 90.684 20.59

5. CHHATISGARH 566.226 1045.8 155.967 1767.993 509.173 23.2 147.141 679.514 89.924 2.218 94.341 38.43
6. DELHI 158.34 996.516 13.44 1168.296 165.223 346.739 12.989 524.951 104.347 34.795 96.644 44.93

7 Goa 12.888 118.296 3.072 134.256 6.959 4.963 2.408 14.33 53.996 4.195 78.385 10.67

8. GUJARAT 753.948 2787.564 136.5 3678.012 473.951 41.453 55.286 570.69 62.863 1.487 40.503 15.52

9. HARYANA 274.004 1014.204 47.664 1335.872 228.889 98.524 45.804 373.217 83.535 9.714 96.098 27.94
10 HP 195.872 348.9 33.06 577.832 177.198 68.968 33.099 279.265 90.466 19.767 100.118 48.33
11 J & K 261.66 443.94 47.424 753.024 253.097 257.78 47.368 558.245 96.727 58.066 99.882 74.13
12 JHARKHAND 839.268 216.3 153.936 1209.504 297.369 11.285 139.541 448.195 35.432 5.217 90.649 37.06
13 KARNATAKA 1095.996 2070.6 218.28 3384.876 1048.154 839.788 196.471 2084.413 95.635 40.558 90.009 61.58
14 Kerala 534.551 1808.94 118.057 2461.548 440.186 137.125 117.405 694.716 82.347 7.580 99.448 28.22
15 M. P. 1225.343 2535.372 330.605 4091.32 1049.194 30.369 318.297 1397.86 85.625 1.198 96.277 34.17
16 MAHARASHTRA 2293.204 4700.88 451.1 7445.184 1580.159 28.524 391.325 2000.008 68.906 0.607 86.749 26.86
17 Manipur 43.884 47.46 10.716 102.06 44.356 18.05 11.094 73.5 101.076 38.032 103.527 72.02
18 Meghalaya 65.052 45.024 11.808 121.884 69.503 18.992 12.567 101.062 106.842 42.182 106.428 82.92
19 Mezoram 23.19 54.564 5.49 83.244 23.727 51.043 4.953 79.723 102.316 93.547 90.219 95.77
20 Nagaland 42.12 86.688 9.96 138.768 43.228 66.079 9.304 118.611 102.631 76.226 93.414 85.47
21 ORISSA 1484.376 1155.564 212.316 2852.256 632.892 148.92 209.274 991.086 42.637 12.887 98.567 34.75
22 PUNJAB 166.416 1473.24 30.12 1669.776 120.195 16.057 16.824 153.076 72.226 1.090 55.857 9.17
23 RAJASTHAN 757.509 2763.756 181.852 3703.117 619.442 111.073 170.297 900.812 81.774 4.019 93.646 24.33
24 Sikkim 14.636 25.812 3.604 44.052 14.676 13.272 3.49 31.438 100.273 51.418 96.837 71.37
25 TAMILNADU 1742.352 3787.98 300.024 5830.356 1782.975 228.641 311.361 2322.977 102.332 6.036 103.779 39.84
26 Tripura 104.904 179.232 18.996 303.132 102.15 34.109 18.922 155.181 97.375 19.031 99.610 51.19
27 U.P. 3654.295 6494.46 830.885 10979.64 2121.809 10.669 806.835 2939.313 58.063 0.164 97.105 26.77
28 UTTARANCHAL 177.12 333.552 32.052 542.724 148.288 19.412 27.175 194.875 83.722 5.820 84.784 35.91
29 WEST BENGAL 1702.752 4089.18 307.788 6099.72 1215.756 477.595 218.558 1911.909 71.399 11.679 71.009 31.34
30 A&N ISLANDS 7.434 36.36 1.806 45.6 4.67 14.151 2.306 21.127 62.819 38.919 127.685 46.33
31 CHANDIGARH 8.748 75.516 0.888 85.152 0.785 - 0.733 1.518 8.973 0.000 82.545 1.78
32 D&N HAVELI 5.544 7.14 1.176 13.86 3.044 0.899 0.83 4.773 54.906 12.591 70.578 34.44
33 DAMAN& DIU 1.428 9.42 0.252 11.1 0.792 0.195 0.149 1.136 55.462 2.070 59.127 10.23
34 LAKSHADWEEP 0.372 3.708 0.168 4.248 - 2.85 - 2.85 0.000 76.861 0.000 67.09
35 PONDICHERRY 30.736 13.2 4.376 48.312 17.667 0.549 3.413 21.629 57.480 4.159 77.994 44.77
TOTAL 22,549.214 44126.774 4,555.912 71231.9 15803.92 3961.779 4165.247 23930.946 70.086 8.978 91.425 33.596